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USS Lead Weekly Update - 2/12/2016

The USS Lead project team continues to focus on office work to finish up what's been done so far. Here's where we stand on 2/12:

- 1. Data issues: We continue to work on the final presentation of analytical data obtained to date. We discussed questions about our regression equation for XRF data with an EPA subject matter expert this morning and are about to finalize the equation. We have resolved what is needed for a data usability assessment for Chemours data, and recommend a peer-to-peer discussion between our chemist (Jessie Compeau) and Chemours' Chemist (Sandra) to communicate our requirements and reduce to the total effort required to assess the usability of Chemours data. The end goal of these efforts is to settle on a final data set that we can report in letters to residents and include in our remedial designs.
- 2. Design document [no change]: The design document awaits outcome of the XRF correlation equation and review of Chemours data validation reports because the XRF results and Chemours results are reported on the designs. Upon resolution of the data questions outlined above, we will submit a design document to EPA, which may be shared with Chemours.
- 3. Field office alternatives: My last weekly report suggested that we plan to resume sampling at the beginning of March that was incorrect; we are looking instead at the beginning of April about 7 weeks from now. The group discussed possibly finding a more cost-effective alternative to a field trailer during our last group call, and we have identified a possible temporary field office in East Chicago a little north of Zone 3, which we can rent month-to-month for ~\$1,050 per month, 3 month minimum. We will need to evaluate whether we should plan to move forward with this alternative office or a field trailer provided by Chemours soon if we are to seal the deal. We should let the new office facility know of our decision by February 26, so will await a decision from Chemours before that time.
- 4. Access agreements: We still have a backlog of 100+ individual properties that we have not yet gotten access to. We plan to canvass door-to-door on President's Day (2/15) when many of the

residents that we have not been able to contact to date may be home.

5. Analytical metrics: [no change] (we continue to await results for some of the samples sent in December)

Total samples taken 3,133 < not including TCLP or Chemours

XRF only samples 2,346

EPA lab metals samples 777 Pb & As + 10 Pb only

Chemours lab samples 721 Pb, 925 As

EPA TCLP samples 246 TCLP Pb & As + 74 Pb only + 10 As only

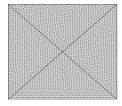
6. Fortnightly call: The semi-monthly call scheduled for Monday 2/5 falls on President's Day and has been cancelled. The next semi-monthly call is scheduled for Monday 2/29 at 2:00 Central. If you have a particular issue you would like to discuss, please forward it to me.

Have a great weekend,

Thanks, Rik

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